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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Competition is vital for a robust economy. Please encourage competition in local ISP offerings. At my address here in Pasadena, my only option is either AT&T U-Verse, or Sonic Internet using the AT&T copper lines. My apartment complex does not allow Charter/Spectrum (which I would not want to have anyways). I work from home regularly as an IT consultant, and customer service is vital to my line of work. Sonic.com has provided great customer support, which is not what I have experienced with AT&T or Spectrum. Changing existing laws, at the behest of a larger corporation, to solely benefit that corporation, breeds resentment amongst the regular people. It's my personal belief that actions like this is what is driving my younger generation towards supporting political systems that will eventually drive out competition and having government force "fairness." Let the companies compete fairly, and in order to change existing laws, weigh out whether the change will increase competition or stifle it. Please explain to people why they only have 1 or 2 options for wired broadband service, when I can go to a variety of providers for wireless cellular service, a plethora of options for purchasing consumer electronics like smartphones and laptops, and so forth.

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